Cyber crimes

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cyber crimes registered in the country since the passing of IT and other related Acts on cyber crime, year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the cyber crimes are on the rise during the last two years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what preventive mechanism Government have to counter cyber crimes in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEELAHMAD): (a) to (c) Since IT Act came into force in 2000, CBI has registered 23 cases relating to cyber Crime. The details are as under:

Year	No. of cases
2000	Two
2001	Two
2002	Nine
2003	Seven
2004	Three

In addition, CBI has investigated 87 complaints and many International/Interpol references (complaints) received from different countries for cyber crime committed from India. The details of information available with National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) on cyber crimes registered under various Acts are as under:

Year	IT Act	IPC	
2002	67	738	
2003	56	358	(data for 5 States and 3 Union Territories not received)

(d) A number of steps have been taken by the Government to fight cyber crimes. It is a coordinated effort on the part of several agencies in the Ministry of Home Affairs and in the Ministry of Communications and Infomation Technology on an on going basis. The fight against cyber crimes involves Law Enforcement Agencies such as the Central Bureau of Investigation, Intelligence Bureau, State Police Organizations and other specialized organizations such as the National Police Academy and the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In). CERT-In has a role in developing appropriate Security Guidelines and other best practices to advise the systems Administrators of computer systems and networks all over the country to implement them so as to avoid the systems from being attacked by the hackers and other criminals. In the event of systems being attacked, CERT-In helps the victim organizations to recover their systems from the computer security incidents so as to make them operational at the earliest. Cyber Forensics is an emerging discipline which helps the Law Enforcement organizations collect evidence from the scene of crime. The legal framework for fighting cyber crimes is a part of the Information Technology Act, 2000. Central Bureau of Investigation and other police organizations have set up Cyber Crime Cells with police officers who have been specially trained in cyber forensics and also on IT security matters.

Provision of new telephone connections in certain states

89. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of telephone connections of BSNL and MTNL surrendered or disconnected during the last two years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that more than 17 lakh applications are pending for new telephone connection before BSNL/MTNL, particularly from the States of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, West Bengal, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu;

(c) if so, the details of break-up, State-wise; and

(d) what measures Government are taking to stop migration of these customers to other service providers?